

From: McWhirter, Lisa
Sent: Friday, June 17, 2016 1:21 PM
To: Green, Holly; Thompkins, Anita; Bergman, Ronald
Subject: FW: Price canton, please read

FYI... recent email regarding the Arroyo Grande Aquifer Exemption request.

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Got this while I was at the CCUS conference.

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From: Michael Hannon [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 7:57 PM
To: Albright, David; Dermer, Michele; Robin, George; Kobelski, Bruce; Grevatt, Peter; Montgomery, Michael; Beauvais, Joel
Subject: Price canton, please read

Dear EPA staff,
I am writing concerning Freeport MCMoran's application for an aquifer exemption in Price Canyon, near Pismo Beach, Ca.

As you know, the oil co is applying in phase 4 of their plan, for an exemption to drill 33 new wells and to pump their toxic wastes into their aquifer, which up to this point they have been doing illegally. It doesn't sound like that big of a deal, but it is their foot in the door. Phase 5 is their plan to drill 481 new wells in this area and pump all the toxic brine back in this aquifer.

Historically Oklahoma is not a big seismic zone, but has become the earthquake Capitol of America. How many earthquakes are they having every day now? This is California, we used to be the earthquake Capitol until Oklahoma started pumping all that toxic brine into the ground. Price Canyon is in a seismically active area and even the oil co won't guarantee 100% that their supposedly rock solid oil bowl won't leak, think Fukushima, 3 mile Island, BP in the gulf, to name a few.

The oilfield is surrounded by 3 clean water aquifers that could easily become contaminated by this oilfield. Why gamble that there won't be another earthquake in this area? This is my drinking water and a lot of other people's too.

I hope you take the time to read this,
Michael Hannon

Sent from my iPad